

House Resolution No. 2602

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State couples who have admirably demonstrated the strength, depth, and vitality of their love through the longevity of their marital vows; and

Whereas, fifty years ago Wesley Merle Doughty took the lovely hand of his beautiful bride, the former Mildred Louise Peery, as the two pledged their troth during a solemn wedding ceremony which was performed on June 12, 1955, at the Jamesport United Methodist Church; and

Whereas, five decades later Merle and Mildred Doughty of Chillicothe will observe their Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary with a festive gathering of family members and friends on June 12, 2005, at the Chillicothe United Methodist Church; and

Whereas, the marital union of Merle and Mildred Doughty has been richly blessed with the love and affection of their children, Douglas Peery Doughty and Patricia Lynn Doughty Fergusan; daughter-in-law, Barbara Doughty; and three grandchildren, Tyler Doughty, Kellin Ferguson, and Konner Ferguson; and

Whereas, Merle Doughty has been an exceptionally active community member who is now retired from operating the family farm in Northwest Missouri for sixty years; and

Whereas, down through the years Merle Doughty has provided leadership for various Soil District groups, Livingston County Farm Bureau, Chillicothe R-II Schools, Green Hills Regional Planning Commission, University of Missouri Farm at Spickard, Livingston County Extension Council, the local Masonic Lodge, and Moila Shrine, among others; and

Whereas, a former school teacher and homemaker, Mildred Doughty likewise has been active in numerous civic-minded groups and organizations, including Eastern Star, Livingston County Extension Club, 4-H, Farm Bureau, Women's County Auxiliary, Missouri Soil and Water Auxiliary, Naomi Ruth Church Circle, Daughters of the American Revolution, and Chillicothe Federated Club:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the long, productive marriage engaged in by Merle and Mildred Doughty and to convey to them this legislative body's heartiest congratulations and our best wishes as they celebrate their Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of Wesley Merle and Mildred Doughty of Chillicothe, Missouri.

Offered by _____
Representative John Quinn
District No. 7

Representative Jim Whorton
District No. 3

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 2602, adopted April 27, 2005.

Rod Jetton, Speaker